

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No. 9400-33

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR PAPERLESS THIRD-PARTY BILLING OF BUSINESS DIRECTORY ADVERTISEMENTS**,

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto

OR

☐ was filed on _____ as United States Application No. or PCT International Application Number _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56, including material information that became available between the filing date of the prior application and the National or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application, if applicable.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered attorney(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. I also appoint the following registered attorney(s) to represent me before all competent International Authorities in connection with any and all international applications filed by me with an appropriate receiving office claiming priority to the U.S. application. I also appoint the following registered attorney(s) to make or receive payment on my behalf in connection with the filing of such international applications.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: **METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR
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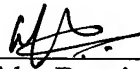
DECLARATION OF WEALTHY DESAI

I, Wealthy Desai, declare and state as follows:

1. I am a citizen of India and am currently residing in Atlanta, Georgia. I am the inventor of the invention shown and described in the **METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR PAPERLESS THIRD-PARTY BILLING OF BUSINESS DIRECTORY ADVERTISEMENTS** patent application, filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on _____ under Attorney Docket No. 9400-33. I am an employee of BellSouth, Inc.
2. On or about May of 2002, the invention was contracted for development and hence, disclosed, to a third party vendor so that a project to implement a product identified as "NYPS Billing & Tear," which corresponds to the subject matter of the above-referenced patent application, could be developed by this third party vendor as a work for hire.
3. Based on information and belief, BellSouth Inc. has a confidentiality agreement with the third party vendor referenced in paragraph 2.
4. Based on information and belief the NYPS Billing & Tear was first commercially used by BellSouth on February 20, 2003.
5. Based on information and belief about 1-2 months prior to the first commercial use, the NYPS Billing & Tear was disclosed to another third party vendor, which had been contracted to oversee the integration of the invention into existing BellSouth systems.
6. Based on information and belief, neither I nor any other employees of BellSouth commercially exploited the invention (did not try to sell or offer to sell the NYPS Billing & Tear product alone or integrated into another commercial product) more than one year before the filing date of the above application.

8. I hereby further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine, or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

7/9/2003
Date


Wealthy Desai